

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Previously Presented) A pattern carrier in form of a paper web with a colour pattern printed thereon to be used in transfer pattern printing of a moist textile web by a compressing of the two webs between one or more pairs of rollers without the use of heat, but under such a linear pressure that the textile web is subjected over a short length to a compressing into a reduced thickness followed by a natural expansion, whereby the colour pattern is absorbed from the pattern carrier into the textile web, characterised in that the pattern carrier is made of paper with an air permeability of more than 500 ml/min, measured according to the standard DIN 53120 T1, and a water absorption corresponding to a Cobb-number, measured according to the standard SCAN-P12:64, Cobb₆₀, of at least 50, said paper being coated with an aqueous dispersion of carboxymethylcellulose containing a non-crystalline saccharide syrup, whereafter one or more colour patterns are printed on said paper, each colour pattern comprising a water-soluble or dispersible dye admixed with an easily soluble thickening carrier with a temporary binding effect.
2. (Original) A pattern carrier according to claim 1, characterised in that the saccharide syrup used comprises sorbitol as main ingredient.
3. (Original) A pattern carrier according to claim 2, characterised in that the saccharide syrup used in addition to sorbitol comprises small amounts of mannitol and reducing sugars.
4. (Original) A pattern carrier according to claim 3, characterised in that the saccharide syrup used represents approximately 20% by weight of the dispersion.
5. (Canceled)

6. (Previously Presented) A pattern carrier according to claim 1, wherein said aqueous dispersion is coated on said paper in an amount of approximately 30g of dispersion per m² of paper.

7. (Previously Presented) A pattern carrier according to claim 1, wherein said thickening carrier is carboxymethylcellulose.

8. (Previously Presented) A pattern carrier with a colour pattern printed thereon, comprising paper with an air permeability of more than 500 ml/min, measured according to the standard DIN 53120 T1, and a water absorption corresponding to a Cobb-number, measured according to the standard SCAN-P12:64, Cobb₆₀, of at least 50, said paper being coated with an aqueous dispersion of carboxymethylcellulose containing a non-crystalline saccharide syrup, whereafter one or more colour patterns are printed on said paper, each colour pattern comprising a water-soluble or dispersible dye admixed with an easily soluble thickening carrier with a temporary binding effect.

9. (Previously Presented) A pattern carrier according to claim 8, wherein said saccharide syrup comprises sorbitol.

10. (Previously Presented) A pattern carrier according to claim 9, wherein said saccharide syrup further comprises mannitol and reducing sugars.

11. (Previously Presented) A pattern carrier according to claim 10, wherein said saccharide syrup represents approximately 20% by weight of the dispersion.

12. (Previously Presented) A pattern carrier according to claim 8, wherein said saccharide syrup represents approximately 20% by weight of the dispersion.

13. (Previously Presented) A pattern carrier according to claim 8, wherein said aqueous dispersion is coated on said paper in an amount of approximately 30g of dispersion per m² of paper.

14. (Previously Presented) A pattern carrier according to claim 8, wherein said thickening carrier is carboxymethylcellulose.

15. (Previously Presented) A method for transfer pattern printing a colour pattern to a moist textile web, comprising compressing said textile web and a pattern carrier according to claim 8 between one or more pairs of rollers without the use of heat, but under such a linear pressure that the textile web is compressed to a reduced thickness followed by a natural expansion, whereby a colour pattern is absorbed from the pattern carrier to the textile web.

16. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 15, wherein said saccharide syrup comprises sorbitol.

17. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 16, wherein said saccharide syrup further comprises mannitol and reducing sugars.

18. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 15, wherein said saccharide syrup represents approximately 20% by weight of the dispersion.

19. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 15, wherein said aqueous dispersion is coated on said paper in an amount of approximately 30g of dispersion per m² of paper.

20. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 15, wherein said thickening carrier is carboxymethylcellulose.

21. (Canceled)